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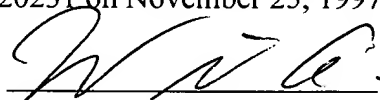
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re The Application of:)
Michael A. Cleron et al.)
Serial No.: 08/435,377)
Filed: May 5, 1995)
For: EXTENSIBLE, REPLACEABLE)
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RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated July 25, 1997. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is enclosed herewith extending the response period to November 25, 1997.